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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

PAUL STIROS, ET AL.

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For APPARATUS AND METHOD

FOR DEODORIZING

CONFINED SPACES WHICH UTILIZE BAKING SODA

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

The Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

--This is application claims the benefit of the filing date of the following PCT applications: US/00/02907, US/00/03011, US/00/03010, all filed February 2, 2000; US00/05403, filed March 2, 2000; and, US/0013531, filed May 18, 2000.--

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